

CITY GOVERNMENT.

PROPERTY-OWNERS WHO OPPOSE IMPROVEMENTS.

Cemetery Records Reported Missing.—Route of City Officials—Defective Sewer-Pipe—Etc.

The City Trustees held their weekly session yesterday morning, all the members present. The report of the Chief Engineer of the Water Works showed that during the week ending May 5th 31,370,750 gallons of water had been pumped, the Holly pump working 141 hours and the Stevens pump 84 hours.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Bids for improving the alley between J and K, Sixth and Seventh streets, by putting down granite or bituminous rock pavement, granite curbs, etc., were opened. The agent of the Pacific Improvement Company entered a protest to the awarding of the contract, and the matter was laid over for one week.

Bids for improving, grading, etc., Twenty-sixth street from J to N, were opened. One of the bidders stated in his bid that if the property-owners were allowed to take the surplus earth from the streets, as was provided for in the specifications, he did not want the contract, and would ask to withdraw his bid. A lively discussion ensued, and various contractors gave their opinions.

Antone King said that he put in his bid in accordance with the specifications, and did not care whether or not the property-owners took the earth, but thought it inflicted no hardship on the contractors.

Other contractors held that the property-owners were to take the earth, and that if it happened to be in the way of the contractors to work, they thought the specifications ought to state definitely whether or not the property-owners would or would not have the right to confiscate the surplus earth.

E. A. Crouch stated that his company were agents for one of the parties owning property on the street, and they proposed to take their share of the surplus earth and fill in their lots.

The Mayor then requested that all the parties who wished to do so would withdraw their bids, and several complied with the invitation. The rest of the bids were then opened, and A. Borah, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract. His bid amounted to \$320.

THE STREETS MOVEMENT.

The opening of bids for the construction of the foundation for the Stevens monument was then taken up, and John McGilvery, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract. His bid was \$342, amounting to \$467 and \$615, the amounts bid by other contractors.

PROTESTING PROPERTY-OWNERS.

A communication was received from property-owners on the alley between Seventh and Eighth, K and L streets, stating that the surveyor had set out the grading and improving of the alley, and that if the work was done according to his survey, injury would be inflicted to the great deal of the property adjoining. The City Engineer was ordered to look into the trouble.

George Drannigan asked the Board that they notify the railroad company to make the slopes on each side of their K-street track on Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets so as to conform to the grading of the streets, which has just been finished. Trustee McLaughlin will attend to the matter.

TWO LEGAL OPINIONS.

A communication was received from the City Attorney, who gave as his opinion that Thirteenth street from K to L could be ordered graded by the Board, notwithstanding the remonstrance of the property-owners. Both K and L streets were graded, and under the Vrooman Act the work could be ordered done.

In regard to the sanitary questions as to low lots, stagnant pools, etc., he has referred the matters to Sanitary Inspector Starr, who would report to the Board.

Inspector Starr was present, and notified the Board of the different places that need a "cotton" in the water, and that the matter be taken up at an early date.

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE WIRES.

An ordinance was presented to the Board laying down rules for the telegraph and telephone companies in regard to affixing their wires to the tops of houses. It was read for the first time, and it will be taken up for final passage next Monday.

THE HEALTH OFFICER.

The appointment of H. L. Nichols as Health Officer was confirmed by the Board.

A request was made for a street lamp on the west side of Fifth street, between J and K. Trustee McLaughlin will first see if it is a necessity.

THE CEMETERY RECORDS.

A communication was received from R. W. Parker, Superintendent of the City Cemetery, stating that he could not find the records containing the deaths occurring from the years 1871 to 1884, and that the late records of the New Helvetia Cemetery were also missing. The committee on the subject was placed on file, and an effort will be made to find the records.

DEFECTIVE SEWERS AND DRAINAGE. L. B. Burke notified the Board that the sewer pipe at Thirteenth and K streets was in a bad condition, and that the sidewalk was overflowing at times. The attention of the Street Commissioner was called to the matter.

Mohr & York, through a communication, notified the Board that the sidewalk on N street, from Third to Fifth, appeared to be bad, and that the sidewalk on the west side of N street, from Second to Third, and also the one adjoining it on the west, were condemned by order of the Board.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS.

Resolutions of intention were passed to grade, improve, etc., K street from Front to Second, and also to construct a sewer in the alley from Eleventh to Thirteenth streets, between J and K.

TOWNSHIP JUSTICE AND LICENSES.

The Mayor suggested that the Supervisors be requested to appoint a Township Justice to fill the place of the late I. S. Brown. He thought that what little business was done in that Court could be handled by the City Justices, and thus money could be saved.

OFFICIAL REPORTS.

The Poundkeeper made the following report for the past month: Number of dogs impounded, 17; cows, 26; dogs, 64. Total, 107. Out of this number 4 dogs were killed and 20 released. The horses and cattle were all released. The sum of \$118.25 was charged and received for impounding said animals.

N. A. Kidder, Harbormaster, submitted the following report of levee dues for the past month: Steamers, \$107.50; barges, \$80; fish markets, \$10. Total, \$197.50.

R. W. Parker, Superintendent of the City Cemetery, reported as follows: Number of deaths in the city for the month of April, 28; still-born, 16. Total, 44. Out of this number 17 were buried in the City Cemetery, 8 in the New Helvetia, 11 in the St. Joseph, and 1 in the New Mission. Five bodies were sent to other places for interment. The exhumation permits issued, 50; collected for sale of lots, \$130; permits, \$31; exhumation permits, \$890. Total, \$1,051.

The Chief of Police reported as follows for the month of April: Total arrests made, 37; lodgers accommodated, 48; meals furnished, 1,285; cash on hand, \$1,370. Total, \$1,370. Paid out during the month, \$15. Total cash on hand, \$2,355.

PROPOSED CITY CENSUS.

Mayor Gregory suggested that a census

of adults of this city be taken at the same time that the City Marshal is making a count of the school children, and it was so ordered.

Adjourning for the week.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Taverner's slaughtered sheep—W. A. Henry for Township Justice.

George Taverner appeared relative to his sheep that were killed by the fall of the McCabe wire bridge across Yuba Commons. He claimed to have lost 133 heads; that the sheep were not stamped, nor forced upon the bridge, and that the sheep were worth at least \$2 50 each.

Some other testimony was taken in regard to the matter, which was then taken under advisement.

Sitting as Swamp Land Commissioners, the Board allowed the claim of the Mutual Life Insurance Company for \$10,018.42 against Reclamation District No. 407.

An election was ordered to be held at Isleton on June 11th for Trustees of District No. 407. A. T. Alexander was appointed Inspector, and P. H. Gardner and Sanford Dickey Judges.

The application of Mrs. Alice M. Valentin for the closing of an old road and the opening of a new one leading to Arno Station from the Lone road was granted, and continued till 10 A. M. on Friday.

An order was made allowing the Grand Island Fence Company to change its landing on the Sacramento river to a point 500 feet distant.

H. H. Hamer, Overseer of Road District No. 113, was allowed to expend \$300 per month from his road fund for sprinkling the road from Sacramento to Willow Slough during the summer.

The Board having been officially notified of the death of Township Justice I. S. Brown for Sacramento city, it was decided to enter at once upon the election of his successor.

Mr. Ross placed in nomination R. M. Clark, Mr. Greer placed in nomination W. A. Henry, and Mr. Tebbets in nomination Charles N. Post. The roll was called, with the following result:

For Post—Tebbets and Bates.
For Henry—Greer and Bates.
For Clark—Ross.

Ross changed his vote to Henry, and the latter was declared elected.

BASEBALL TOPICS.

Sacramento Signs Catcher Roxburg—A Record Union Reporter saw Manager Gillis, of the Sacramento Club, yesterday afternoon, and in reply to a query by the former, as to whether or not he had signed Roxburg as catcher, he said: "You know I have been playing with you, but I have not signed him yet. If you will come around in about five minutes you can get an item to that effect." Roxburg was signed in the afternoon, and will catch in next Saturday's game in this city, Hapeman pitching.

In regard to the suspension of Veach, Mr. Gillis informed the reporter that it might be longer than people thought. The nine could play next Saturday's game, and the suspension would be a mere formality. Breckenridge would take the latter's place in the field, and Krehmeyer took the latter's place in the position of short base.

From the maun in which the Manager talked in regard to catcher McLaughlin's case, it is exceedingly dubious as to whether or not "Bully" will be retained by the Sacramento Club. He had left of his own accord, because he wanted one thing and another, and he thought that he would be able to get his own terms.

VICTORY FOR THE CITY.

Judge Hunt Decides a Coupon Case Against the Bondholders.

Judge Hunt, of San Francisco, who presided in the Superior Court of this county, in September last, during the trial of the case of Samuel Davis vs. the City of Sacramento, yesterday filed in the Clerk's office his decree and findings in the case. Judgment is given in favor of the city, and the plaintiff has filed a notice of appeal.

It was one of the numerous bond suits of Davis against the city.

A well-known and able lawyer of this city says that if this decision should be affirmed by the Supreme Court the bonded debt of Sacramento will be wiped out in about five years at the present rate of decrease.

A Week's City Revenues.

Following are the receipts and disbursements for the week ending May 4th, as returned by the City Auditor:

R. W. Parker, cemetery dues, \$430.00
V. J. Gregory, water rates, 1,484.00
George A. Putnam, city taxes, 28,350.00
George A. Putnam, city licenses, 249.00
Total receipts, \$30,113.00
Total disbursements, \$8,181.31
Amount in City Treasury, \$17,931.69

APPORTIONED AS FOLLOWS:

Sinking fund interest, \$30,146.85
General Fund, 15,749.78
Water Works Fund, 1,182.87
Police Fund, 1,182.87
School Fund, 29,046.27
Cemetery Fund, 699.24
Police Fund, 4,223.33
Police Fund, 1,752.31
Redemption Fund, 16,721.90
Library Fund, 1,922.81
Exhaustion Fund, 1,445.61
Dog Fund, 54.80
Total, \$178,088.11

Police Court Doings.

In the Police Court yesterday, Hop, Hopkins, who recently finished serving a term for the same offense, was charged with disturbing the peace, while being taken to jail about one month ago. He was sentenced to-day. Mr. McAllister will also be sentenced to-day for disturbing the peace.

Joe Botran was sentenced to pay a fine of \$5, or suffer the usual alternative, for disturbing the peace. He was charged with disturbing the peace, and was sentenced to-day.

Joe McLean pleaded guilty to the charge of disturbing the peace, and will be sentenced to-day.

Timothy Burns was fined \$2 50 for being drunk, and John Doe was found guilty of petty larceny.

George Bennett, charged with exposure of person, was acquitted.

John Murphy will be sentenced to-day for vagrancy.

Police-men's Authority. At the session of the Police Commission yesterday, Mayor Gregory called attention to the fact that a police officer had informed a citizen that he had no authority to interfere with the construction of a sidewalk along the front of a lot on Second street, and also to construct a sewer in the alley from Eleventh to Thirteenth streets, between J and K.

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HOME INTERESTS.

THE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION'S GOOD WORK.

Exhibits at the State Board's Rooms to be Renewed—A Free Employment Agency.

The regular monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sacramento Improvement Association was held last evening, there being present F. R. Dray (Chairman), E. K. Alsip, G. L. Simmons, D. A. Lindley, C. H. Hubbard, J. M. Avery and C. Luhrs, and C. W. Baker, Secretary.

E. K. Alsip, Chairman of the committee appointed to receive C. F. Huntington on his proposed visit to this city, reported that Mr. Huntington had explained to him how impossible it was for him to spare the time for a long stay here. Mr. Huntington expressed his love for the city in Sacramento, whose prosperity he was pleased to note.

In discussing the matter of the proposed railroad to Amador county, Mr. Dray expressed the belief that a preliminary survey of the route should be made before making any application to the Southern Pacific Company. He thought the cost would be about \$1,000. No definite action was taken.

A resolution was adopted providing for the painting of two signs for the Exposition Building, setting forth its character and the purpose to which it is devoted.

The suggestion was made by Dr. Simmons that it would be advisable to open a book at the Exposition Building in which newcomers desiring employment could register their names. The Association, desiring to employ help could call and select such as they required.

Charles N. Post, who was willing to try the thing for awhile, but he was afraid it would have the effect of attracting a crowd of loungers about the place who might be an annoyance to visitors. It was decided to try the experiment for one month.

Mr. Alsip called attention to the fact that Sacramento had an elegant show-case in the rooms of the State Board of Trade, doings by D. Lubin, and the officers of the Board had suggested that a large photograph of the State Capitol building and park be sent there to be placed on the case. He also called attention to the availability of the Association providing exhibition jars for fruits that should be exhibited very shortly at both the local exhibition building and the rooms of the State Board of Trade. The canneries here would prepare any exhibits if the jars were provided.

Mr. Alsip was authorized to procure the necessary jars, at a cost not to exceed \$50. He stated that the Sacramento exhibit at the State Board's rooms was sadly in need of replenishing, and as fruit would soon be coming in the county should have a good display there.

Mr. Dray stated that many citizens were in favor of extending the fire limit from Tenth to Twelfth streets, and from the alley between K and L to the alley between I and J streets.

Mr. Avery moved that the President be authorized to present the matter to the Board of Trustees, and the motion was adopted.

Mr. Simmons thought the several hundred telephones in the city should be connected with the fire-alarm system, as an additional advantage to the city.

On motion of Mr. Lindley, the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Fire Commissioners on the subject and request them to adopt the plan.

After allowing a few demands, the Association adjourned.

RESTORED TO DUTY.

Police Commissioners Find No Charges Against Officer Frazee.

The Board of Police Commissioners met yesterday to inquire into the case of police officer Frazee, who was suspended some weeks ago by Chief Lee for alleged intoxication while on duty. Mayor Gregory called the Board to order and inquired if there were any written charges on file against the officer, and Clerk Larkin replied that there were not. The Mayor then turned the matter over to the Police Commissioners, who found no charges against Frazee, and as he had been found faithful, industrious and vigilant officer, and had placed him again on duty on the 1st of the month, pending action by the Board. No citizen had presented charges against him, but on the contrary scores of persons living within the boundaries of Frazee's beat had called upon him to ask that the officer be reinstated.

Captain Karcher and Police Judge Buckley, also Mayor Gregory, spoke in great character, efficiency and reliability of the officer, and of the deep interest felt by the residents of his district in his return to duty. The Mayor said that, as no charge had been filed against Frazee, and as he had known him long and well, he was disposed to deal leniently with him on this occasion. If he had been a man who was in the habit of drinking to excess, it would be different; but he knew him as a soldier and a patriotic officer and uniformly good citizen. A reputation, however, of the act complained of, would not be condoned, and a Frazee made a statement to the effect that he had not been aware of indulging to excess on the day that he is alleged to have been under the influence of drink, but thought that possibly his system may not have been in a condition to withstand even moderate drinking.

The Board unanimously exonerated the officer from blame, and as there were no formal charges to be made, directed him to resume his duties as heretofore.

The result is quite gratifying to the many friends of officer Frazee, who, with the members of the Police Commission, that he has been a faithful and efficient officer.

HE IS A HIGH-ROLLER.

A Yolote Who Doesn't Care for Expenses When on a "Toot."

Timothy Burns was charged with drunkenness yesterday charged with drunkenness, and was allowed to depart. Timothy will be before Judge Buckley again to-day on a similar charge, and will probably not be allowed to depart. Timothy was very persistent when he stood up in the dock yesterday. He was freed from the sheep-rang of Yolo, where he had been working hard. He admitted his failing, and when Judge finally told him he might go he pulled a \$20 gold piece from his pocket and offered the Court proof of it on condition of being released. He was given an invitation to the Judge to step out and join him in a social glass.

Timothy remarked, when asked if the officer had missed the \$20, that the latter had, and that it was for him (Burns) that it was so, or he wouldn't have seen it again. He also unearthed a bank check for \$25, which had been overlooked when he was searched, and he said his wealth in a mysterious "inside pocket."

When he was brought in last night Mr. Burns had but five dollars. His \$20 piece left, showing that he must have either got away with fifteen dollars worth of sheep-ranger's delight or done a great deal of treating. He had his \$20 check, however, safely tied up in a handkerchief, and that will probably serve for another good spree when he gets out.

AMUSEMENTS.

At the Opera House last night, the J. M. Ward Company played "The Red Fox," a light comedy drama. Ward and his wife, Carrie Clark Ward, have the leading roles and interpret them excellently. Ward introduces Irish songs and dances. Ward is an admirable personator of the Irish peasant, having but few equals, indeed, in that line. The support consists of Louis and Kitty Belmont, R. C. White, Mrs. Belle Douglas, well known comedienne, and experienced stock actors, and B. J. Murphy, another of the troupe, who is less known, but made a favorable impression. Timothy McCarthy, in one of the scenes, introduced the Irish pipes, playing at length upon the strange instrument—strange to most of this generation. The only difficulty with Mr. Ward's company—a light orchestra can be excused—its lack of competent superintendence and persons for minor characters. It creates an unfavorable impression and notably weakens

the drama to require Mrs. Douglas and Miss Belmont to "double" in strongly contrasting characters. By a few additions the company would be greatly strengthened. "The Red Fox" will be repeated to-night.

EVADING AN ORDER.

Disregard of an Attempted Reform Regarding Supreme Court Decisions.

At the April term of the Supreme Court at Los Angeles, at the request of the bar of that city, an order as to filing opinions was made requiring that hereafter in all cases the opinion of the Court shall be filed in the Clerk's office of the district to which the cases respectively belonged, and that the time for petitioning for rehearing will be computed from the date at which the opinion is so filed in the local office.

The object of the order was to enable attorneys, particularly outside of San Francisco, to file petitions for rehearing in due time, having come to the notice of the Supreme Court that in a great number of instances petitions failed to be filed in the specified time, which is thirty days, dating from the time the opinions were filed, owing to the fact that they were filed in the San Francisco office.

But it appears that the object of the order is being evaded by the Secretaries of the Supreme Court in giving out the opinions for publication in San Francisco, and at the same time dating them as filed, when as a matter of fact they are not filed until stamped as filed at the local office.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Lillie V. Sticks has been granted a divorce from N. D. Sticks.

The State Printer's payroll for the past two weeks amounted to \$9,016.50.

Dennis Cunningham was the party whose house was destroyed by fire on Sunday evening, by B. F. Johnson, at Tenth and K streets.

Bids for the privileges at the Red Men's picnic will be received until 6 o'clock this evening, by B. F. Johnson, at Tenth and K streets.

The Supervisors have called an election for Trustees of Reclamation District No. 407, to take place at Isleton on the 11th of June next.

The man named Brown who was shot by Bill Clark, alias "Sacramento Bill," at Tenth and Twelfth streets last night, according to the latest report, has died from the effects of his wounds.

C. A. Sawtelle, having had time to investigate his losses by the raid on his store on Sunday last, has come to the conclusion that he is out of pocket from \$1,300 to \$1,500.

The Justices of the Supreme Court came up from San Francisco last night, accompanied by J. D. Spencer, Clerk, and other Court officers. The Court will begin its session at 10 o'clock to-day.

Nothing has yet been done to test the question of the non-payment of police-men's salaries, and the men are beginning to doubt whether or not their alleged employment as officers of the city was not all a dream, after all.

The case of the people against C. H. Eldred, who is accused of having got more ballots into the box at the last election than were cast, was yesterday continued by Judge Armstrong until the 28th. Eldred is represented by attorneys J. D. Ryan and J. M. Avery.

A man claims to have been deceived all the way from Illinois to this city by a bogus letter offering him work in a stable. "Thompson's colt" left the stable in disgust when he learned of it, and has not since been heard of. He found he was not the champion.

The grocery-store kept by Chas. Schepp, at Sixteenth and M streets, and owned by B. McIntyre, was damaged \$200 or so by fire yesterday, while the stock suffered to the extent of some \$350, with no insurance. Later on the fire broke out again, but was quickly extinguished.

Sheriff Ball of Butte county passed through this city yesterday, having three prisoners en route to San Quentin. They were James Conley and Dan Ryder, sentenced to three years each for burglary, and James Wilson, sentenced to three and a half years for the same offense.

According to rumors from Perny, lively times may be expected in the vicinity of the Bassett deadfall, near there, where a man was killed by the falling of a tree. The citizens have bought the property and notified "Girous Bill," the recent proprietor, to abandon the place to-day, but it is said he has refused to do so, and threatens death to the first man that approaches.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Department One—Armstrong, Judge. Sacramento, May 6, 1889. People vs. C. H. Eldred—Continued till May 28th.

Dingley vs. Dingley—Continued till tomorrow. People vs. James Harris, burglary—On trial. M. J. Dillman vs. Frank Miller and others (to share in the estate of the late George Harris)—Continued.

Department Two—Van Fleet, Judge. Sacramento, May 6, 1889. Estate of John Altema, deceased—Order made distributing estate.

Museum Association. The Museum Association will hold its monthly meeting at 7 o'clock to-night, when contributions will be made and the work of the society discussed.

There is expressed a strong desire that all members, life and active, will attend and contribute by their presence to maintaining the membership. In the early life of such an institution there is need for greater effort than when it has attained to the position of strength as has, for instance, the Academy of Sciences in San Francisco, in the early years of which the members were obliged to labor diligently to found it well. There is a great deal of interesting work for the Museum Association, and every member ought to attend the meeting and inform himself how best the institution can be aided. The meeting to-night will be the first held under the new administration, which should be encouraged in its efforts to firmly found the Association and make it useful to the city and State.

An Bright as Day.

The electric light system of the Southern Pacific Hotel was brought into the mode last night, when the lamps at the most heads on Front street, at the depot and in the shop-yards were lighted for the first time. The lamps all worked well, and the river front of the hotel and yards were as bright as day, greatly facilitating the handling of trains.

Auction Sales. To-morrow, at 10 o'clock A. M., Bell & Co. will hold a large sale of furniture, household goods, carpets, etc.

The same firm will sell to-day at 10 A. M. all the furniture in the residence at 1122 I street, comprising a fine piano and choice bedroom, dining-room and kitchen furniture.

Postponement of a Picnic. The Union Sunday-school picnic has been postponed, on account of the rain, until further notice.

If you want anything in the musical line go to Hammer's store, a great deal of music and musical merchandise in the city. Sole agent Chickering & Son's pianos.

Birth, death, and marriage notices must be sent in by responsible parties, and paid for as follows: Births and marriages, 25 cents each; funeral notices, 10 cents.

DIED.

Sacramento, May 6—George J. Dinger, a native of Alsace, 47 years and 17 days. (Funeral notice hereafter.)

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